

# Arizona Interagency Coordinating Group



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**Directed To:** Arizona Zone Chairs (Ruth Kohler – CWZ, Bruce Greco – NAZ, Butch Wilson – SEZ, Bruce Banke – WMZ)

**From:** Chair, Arizona Interagency Coordinating Group (AICG)

**Topic/Issue:** FY08 Fuels Project Collaboration (REPLY REQUESTED)

One of the purposes of AICG is to insure that regular interagency fuels collaboration occurs in Arizona according to the interagency Memorandum of Understanding for the Development of a Collaborative Fuels Treatment Program. Linked to that are the processes lined out by the Southwest Coordinating Group (SWCG) in their November 22, 2005 memo: ([http://gacc.nifc.gov/swcc/swcg/operations/memorandums/documents/az\\_zone\\_fuels\\_collaborate.pdf](http://gacc.nifc.gov/swcc/swcg/operations/memorandums/documents/az_zone_fuels_collaborate.pdf)). SWCG has asked AICG to facilitate the Arizona interagency collaboration process. Because of personnel transfers, the chair of AICG has rotated several times since the 2005 memo, and we have not followed through to insure the collaboration is occurring. Hopefully the zone level interagency fuels groups have been discussing FY08 treatments with each other.

We ask all zone chairs to please forward your list of FY08 projects that you have collaborated on to Glen Buettner, Office of the State Forester, (phone 602-771-1410, email [glenbuettner@azstatefire.org](mailto:glenbuettner@azstatefire.org)), who will act as a repository of the collaborative lists for AICG. Please forward the FY08 lists as soon as possible, but no later than October 1, 2007. The collaborative lists should be relatively simple to put together and should include name of FY08 treatments, acres, lead agency and field unit, and date of interagency collaboration. In addition, please check your zone fuels group operational charter (see SWCG memo) and update it if necessary and also forward it to Glen Buettner.

Thanks for your cooperation. Feel free to call me at 602-379-6798, or vice-chair Bob Lineback, 505-988-6018, or any AICG agency representative if you have any questions.

**/s/ Jonathan Lee**

Chair, Arizona Interagency Coordinating Group

cc: -(Pam McAlpin – BLM, John Philbin – Western Region BIA, Butch Wilson – FWS, Bob Lineback – NPS, Bill VanBruggen – USFS, Dave Behrens – AZ)  
- Glen Buettner, Office of the State Forester  
- Arizona Zone Center Managers